

CHAP. 138.

6 Of breaking in-  
to a shop, store-  
house, &c. and  
stealing to the va-  
lue of a dollar.

IV. Punishments  
of offences affect-  
ing private pro-  
perty.  
1 Of simple larceny  
to the value of  
five dollars.

2 Of robbery

3 Of stealing any  
horse, mare, geld-  
ing, colt, ass or  
mule.

4 Of stabbing,  
killing, or destroy-  
ing, any horse,  
mare, gelding,  
colt, ass or mule

5 Of stealing ships,  
sloops, or other  
vessels of upwards  
of 17 feet keel, or  
of stealing a slave.

dealt with according to law. 6th. Every person duly convicted of the crime of breaking into any shop, store-house, tobacco-house or warehouse, although the same be not contiguous to or used with any mansion-house, and stealing from thence any money, goods or chattels, to the value of one dollar, or upwards, or as being accessory thereto, shall restore the thing taken to the owner or owners thereof, or shall pay him, her or them, the full value thereof, and be sentenced to undergo a similar confinement for a period not less than two nor more than twelve years, to be treated as herein after directed.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the offences herein after mentioned, affecting private property, shall be punished in manner following; that is to say, 1st. Every person duly convicted of the crime of simple larceny to the value of five dollars, and upwards, or as accessory thereto before the fact, shall restore the money, goods or thing taken, to the owner or owners, or shall pay to him, her or them, the full value thereof, and be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary-house herein after mentioned for a period of time not less than one year nor more than fifteen years, under the same conditions as are herein after directed. 2d. Every person convicted of the crime of robbery, or as accessory thereto before the fact, shall restore the thing robbed or taken to the owner or owners, or shall pay to him, her or them, the full value thereof, and be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the said penitentiary-house for a period of time not less than three nor more than ten years, under the same conditions as are herein after directed. 3d. Every person convicted of feloniously stealing, taking and carrying away, any horse, mare, gelding, colt, ass or mule, or as accessory thereto before or after the fact, shall restore the horse, mare or animal stolen, to the owner or owners thereof, or shall pay to him, her or them, the full value thereof, and also undergo a similar confinement for a period not less than two nor more than fourteen years, under the same conditions as are herein after directed. 4th. Every person or persons duly convicted of wilfully and maliciously stabbing, killing or destroying, any horse, mare, gelding, colt, ass or mule, not the property of such person, and not in the act of trespassing on his enclosures, shall undergo a confinement in the penitentiary house for a period not less than one year nor more than four years, to be treated as herein after directed. 5th. Every person who shall be duly convicted of the crime of stealing any ship, sloop or other vessel, of seventeen feet keel, or upwards, out of any place within the body of any county, or on the Chesapeake Bay, and within the jurisdiction of the state of Maryland, and not within the body of any county, or of the crime of feloniously taking and carrying away any negro or other slave(a), or of the crime of counselling, hiring, aiding or commanding, any person or persons to commit either of the said offences, or of the crime of being accessory to either of the said offences, shall restore the vessel or slave stolen to the owner or owners thereof, or pay him, her or them, the full value thereof, and also be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the said penitentiary-house for a period of time not more than twelve years,

(a) By 1818, ch 157, if any free person shall be convicted for having enticed, persuaded, or assisted, any slave or servant to runaway, &c. or having harboured such runaway slave or servant, knowing him to be such, then such person shall be liable to indictment, and upon conviction shall undergo a confinement in the penitentiary not exceeding six years.